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CHEROKEE FOR THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR PRESIDENT MACHEL

1. PLEASE DELIVER TO PRESIDENT MACHEL THE FOLLOWING  
MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD.

2. I HAVE JUST RECEIVED WORD OF IAN SMITH'S STATEMENT  
IN SALISBURY AND WANT TO TELL YOU HOW PLEASED I AM THAT  
THE DECADE OLD DREAM OF ZIMBABWEAN INDEPENDENCE IS IN  
THE PROCESS OF BEING REALIZED AND THAT AN ISSUE SO  
IMPORTANT TO YOU AND THE FUTURE OF AFRICA IS FINALLY ON  
THE ROAD TO SOLUTION.

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3. I AM SATISFIED THAT THE CONDITIONS FOR A SETTLEMENT  
HAVE BEEN LAID AND THE DOOR IS OPEN TO BRING THE PROCESS  
TO A SUCCESSFUL AND PEACEFUL CONCLUSION. THERE IS NOW

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR AFRICANS TO WORK TOGETHER AND BRING ABOUT A SETTLEMENT IN PEACE AND WITHOUT FOREIGN MILITARY INTERVENTION.

4. THE IDEAS WHICH YOUR COLLEAGUES, PRESIDENTS NYERERE AND KAUNDA, ADVANCED FOR A SETTLEMENT CONTRIBUTED TO THE PROPOSALS WHICH THE RHODESIAN AUTHORITIES ACCEPTED. THIS IS AS IT SHOULD BE; IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF AFRICANS

AND AFRICANS ALONE TO DEVELOP SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS OF YOUR CONTINENT.

5. THE UNITED STATES IS PLEASED TO HAVE PLAYED A PART IN HELPING TO BRING MATTERS THIS FAR.

6. I UNDERSTAND THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT WILL CONTACT YOU SHORTLY TO DEVELOP WAYS TO BEGIN THE NEXT STAGE -- DIRECT TALKS BETWEEN RHODESIANS WITH A VIEW TO ORGANIZING AN INTERIM GOVERNMENT FOR RHODESIA. WE WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER OUR SUPPORT FOR A NEGOTIATED AND PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT.

7. I HOPE THAT ADVANTAGE WILL BE TAKEN RAPIDLY OF THIS UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY BY ALL THE PARTIES INVOLVED AND THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE PURSUED IN THE SPIRIT OF MAGNANIMITY. I AM SENDING SIMILAR MESSAGES TO THE OTHER FRONTLINE PRESIDENTS. YOU HAVE MY BEST WISHES IN THE DECISIVE WEEKS WHICH LIE AHEAD. END TEXT.

KISSINGER

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